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INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PEKING 116

E.O.11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, LA

SUBJECT: LAOS EMBASSY ISSUES APPEAL FOR AID

1. USLO HAS RECEIVED A CIRCULAR DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED JANUARY 17, 1976, FROM THE LAOTIAN EMBASSY PEKING APPEALING FOR ASSISTANCE AGAINST THE THAI BLOCKADE AND FOR HUMANITARIAN AID. THE NOTE ACCUSED THAILAND OF CREATING INCIDENTS ON THE BORDER, THREATENING THE LAO REPUBLIC BY NUMEROUS MANEUVERS, AND CLOSING THE BORDER IN NOVEMBER ON "UNFOUNDED PRETEXTS." IT MADE AN APPEAL "TO NON-ALIGNED AND OTHER COUNTRIES CAPABLE OF GIVING AID" FOR SUPPORT TO FORCE THAILAND TO RAISE THE BLOCKADE WITHOUT CONDITIONS AND ADDED THAT LAOS NEEDED "HUMANITARIAN AID IN THE FORM OF SUCH STAPLES AS MILK, SUGAR, MEDICINES, CLOTHING, ECT." THE NOTE ENDS WITH AN APPEAL FOR THE RECIPIENT COUNTRIES TO PROVIDE "POLITICAL AND MORAL AS WELL AS MATERIAL AID FOR THE PEOPLE OF LAOS."

2. COMMENT: WE ASSUME THIS NOTE IS PART OF A GENERAL LAOTIAN PLEA FOR SUPPORT AND THEIR EMBASSIES IN OTHER CAPITALS MAY BE ISSUING SIMILAR APPEALS. HOWEVER, GIVEN THE TRADITIONAL POOR COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN VIENTIANE AND THE LAOTIAN EMBASSY PEKING, IT IS POSSIBLE THE EMBASSY IS SOME WEEKS
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BEHIND DIPLOMATIC REALITIES IN VIENTIANE.

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